

Minutes
Town of Oshkosh

Town Board Meeting – October 12, 2009 - 7:00 p.m. – Town Hall

PRESENT: Chairman Gerald Frey, Supervisor Carol Kaufmann, Supervisor Jim Erdman, Treasurer Maribeth Gabert, Clerk Jeannette Merten and audience of 8.

Chairman Frey called meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

MOTION BY ERDMAN, KAUFMANN SECONDED, TO APPROVE MINUTES DATED SEPTEMBER 28, 2009 AS PRESENTED. ROLL CALL. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Participation:

Presentation by Winneconne School District representative.

Liz Hughes, Donna Hanson, and Jim Smasal were in attendance representing the Winneconne School District.

Winneconne School will be on their sixth referendum to cover operating expenses. They looked at all areas to keep spending down, but their battle has been dealing with an arbitrary number for all these years due to the levy freeze. At the next spring election, it is likely there will be another referendum possibly asking for a total of 1.37 million. The last election was for \$880,000. They are not looking to add new structures; it is just to cover their operating budget. They are doing as much as possible to reduce staff and cuts elsewhere. As a whole, Winneconne falls below the state average in spending, but because of the revenue cap that took place back in 1993, they have been drastically affected. They are looking for feedback from the community. They handed out two sheets of information on what would happen if the referendum does not pass. Maribeth Gabert recommended the best way to get the word out is with a mailing.

Officer Scott Rollo reported that heard some complaints mostly on speeding drivers and they have been handling those situations.

Several Fire Department members were in attendance to inform the board about its current position with the fire truck ordered. Because a business closed up and are not able to obtain the chassis they originally ordered, Pierce has given them two options. They explained both options with diagrams to show examples. One option was \$10,000 less than the original price, but much less than what was originally ordered. And the second option was \$47,000 more. Pierce said they would discount the price to \$27,000 because of the problem. Board decided to meet again on Thursday,

October 15th at 4:00 p.m. at the town hall with the fire department and a representative from Pierce to hash out a decision.

Phil Grundy, Fire Chief, informed the board that there will be a federally mandatory upgrade to the radio system. County is supposed to buy all the radios and by December of 2012 have new system in place. If the county doesn't pass with county paying for all of it, it could cost \$20,000 for a new radio system, and wanted to make the board aware of the situation.

Planning and Zoning:

Building Inspector report.

Dave Frank, Town Building Inspector, said he'll look into the newly built house at Chesapeake Ct. that received a failure to obtain a grading permit. Chairman Frey said he has never heard of such a requirement. The \$300 fine was issued by the DNR.

Approve Amendment to the Grey Wolf Storage Condominium Plan.

Treasurer Gabert informed the board that she talked to Decker and Decker said that the county said that he does not need approval. No action is necessary.

Approve Amendment to the Grey Wolf Land Condominium Plan.

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Unfinished Business:

Address Ron Harrell compliant of standing water in ditch on along Island View Drive.

The situation has been reviewed again. The lake level is up and not much can be done about it. One portion was fixed that caused another problem. They will continue to monitor the situation.

New Business:

Discussion on an expansion of Plummers Cemetery.

No decision was made.

Approve Archaeological Permit re: land for US 41 reconstruction.

MOTION MADE BY ERDMAN, FREY SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL PERMIT FOR LAND FOR THE US 41 RECONSTRUCTION. ROLL CALL. ERDMAN, YES; FREY, YES. MOTION CARRIED.

A Review of the Town's Land Use Plan.

It was decided to meet before the next regular scheduled October 26, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. to review the land use map.

Approve 2009-2010 Snow Removal agreement.

MOTION MADE BY ERDMAN, FREY SECONDED; APPROVE THE THREE-YEAR CONTRACT BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1, 2009 WITH RADTKE CONSTRUCTION FOR SNOW PLOWING PORTIONS OF THE TOWN. ROLL CALL. ERDMAN, YES; FREY, YES. MOTION CARRIED.

Forthcoming Events of public interest:

Board went through plans to attend upcoming meetings.

Correspondence:

1. DNR; Waterway marker Permit Approval, Hwy 41 Bridge Work.
2. Dept of Revenue; Exempt Computer Aid.
3. Town of Omro; their Town Comprehensive Plan.
4. Charter Cable; upgrades to account system.
5. Omni Assoc., services offered.
6. ATC, Clearance Notification of electrical Transmission Line.

Correspondence provided to board at meeting:

1. WI Dept of Commerce; Condo Storage Bldg conditional approval.
2. Action Appraiser; procedure and preparation for 2010 re-assessment.
3. WI Dept of Administration; final estimate of 2009 population.
4. Rural Mutual Workers Compensation liability policy information.

MOTION TO PAY BILLS AS PRESENTED BY ERDMAN, ERDMAN SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY ERDMAN, SECONDED BY FREY, TO ADJOURN. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Jeannette Merten
Town Clerk